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SUBJECT: EXPORT LICENSES FOR NUCLEAR MATERIALS

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1. USG SHARES FRG CONCERN OVER DELAYS IN ISSUANCE OF EXPORT LICENSE FOR HIGHLY ENRICHED URANIUM. WE RECOGNIZE THAT STEP-BY-STEP DESCRIPTIONS WHICH WE HAVE BEEN PROVIDING FRG OF PROGRESS TOWARD LICENSING ARE WEARING A BIT THIN, BUT IN INTEREST OF ALLAYING CONCERNS TO FULLEST DEGREE POSSIBLE, WE WISH TO BRING EMBASSY AND USEC UP-TO-DATE ON STATUS.

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2. CLASSIFIED ERDA REPORT ON FRG PHYSICAL SECURITY WAS PROVIDED INFORMALLY TO NRC ON JUNE 24. THIS TOOK PLACE PROMPTLY AFTER RECEIPT OF REPORT BY DEPT., WHICH IN TURN FOLLOWED RECEIPT AND ANALYSIS OF NRC ASSURANCES THAT FRG

PHYSICAL SECURITY INFORMATION, MADE AVAILABLE BY FRG ON CLASSIFIED BASIS, COULD BE APPROPRIATELY PROTECTED BY NRC.

3. ERDA REPORT GENERATED REQUEST ON PART OF NRC FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION. THIS INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED, TO EXTENT AVAILABLE, IN MEETING BETWEEN NRC AND ERDA TECHNICAL EXPERTS TO TAKE PLACE AT 1530 ON JUNE 30.

4. DESPITE APPEARANCES, ISSUANCE OF AVR EXPORT LICENSE HAS BEEN SUBJECT OF CONTINUOUS, INTENSIVE ATTENTION BY ALL CONCERNED AGENCIES. WE ARE CONVINCED THAT INTENTION OF ALL CONCERNED IS TO OVERCOME PROCEDURAL OBSTACLES AND SECURE ISSUANCE OF THIS LICENSE IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE. WE REGRET THAT THESE OBSTACLES HAVE LED TO SUCH LENGTHY DELAY.

5. BILLING FOR MATERIAL, WHICH IS DONE ON ROUTINE BASIS BY ERDA FIELD OFFICE, IS NOW BEING REVIEWED ON PRIORITY BASIS BY ERDA HEADQUARTERS. RESULTS OF REVIEW WILL BE PROVIDED ADDRESSEES SOONEST. INGERSOLL

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